THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Saturday, 28th June 1952.

The House met in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at half past eight of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

I.—HOURS OF SITTING OF THE ASSEMBLY.

SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNIAH :—" అధ్యక్షా, ఈ అసెంబ్లీ సమావేశం నిబంధనలరీత్యా (21 ఏ క్లాజు ప్రకారం) సమావేశం పగలు 11 ఘంటలు సాయంత్రం 5 ఘంటల మధ్య జరుపబడవలసి యున్నది. కాని ఈ సమావేశం ఉదయం 8-30 ఘంటలకే ప్రారంభించడం నిబంధనావళిని అనుసరించి కాదు. నిబంధనలలో మార్పులు చేయకుండా సమావేశ కాలాన్ని మార్చగూడదని point of order raise చేస్తున్నాను."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The time given in the rule can be changed by me with the consent of the Leaders of Parties. I consulted them and they agreed to the revised timing. The hon. Member will now resume his seat."

Sri Vavilala Gopalakrishniah was heard to say something.

MR. SPEAKER :—" Order, order. I have given the ruling."

Sri Vavilala Gopalakrishniah continued to say something.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I will allow the hon. Member to say what he wants to say, later on."

II.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Statement made by the Hon. the Chief Minister regarding Linguistic Provinces.

* 1 Q.—SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether he made any statement last month (April 1952) before a Press Conference on the subject of Linguistic Provinces;

(b) if so, what it was; and

(c) what are the steps which the Government propose to take to implement the promise to form an Andhra Province without delay?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" (a) I did express some opinions which have been published.

" (b) & (c) I need not go on repeating my opinions. They are no more than opinions. The Government of India will take all opinions and facts into account when they deem the time has arrived for a step to be taken."